Mountain Weather Forecast

Bannau Brycheiniog (Brecon Beacons) National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Thursday 19 Dec 2024 until 23:59 on Friday 20 Dec 2024

Forecast Issued on Thursday 19 Dec 2024 at 03:23

Confidence: High for a showery, colder northwesterly flow on Thursday, then lowering from Friday for the transitional detail of frontal systems which track eastwards over the weekend.

Headline for Thursday 19 Dec 2024: Feeling cold with sunny spells and wintry showers.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 19 Dec 2024

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Low Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** High Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms Low Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Sleet showers (night)	Sleet showers	Sleet showers	Sleet showers	Cloudy	Cloudy
Precipitation probability					
80%	80%	60%	40%	10%	10%

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Weather: Chilly with frequent, blustery showers, these sometimes turning heavy with the risk of hail and sleet, and a low chance of isolated thunder. Showers likely falling as wet snow occasionally over the highest peaks, with a snow level around 600m. Showers should ease later to leave a drier evening with clear spells.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 60% rising to 90% into the afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Cloud bases will be generally above all summits but occasionally lower to 500 or 600 metres during showers. Generally excellent visibility, though moderate or poor in any rain showers, and very poor in snow showers and low cloud.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	23/29 NW	23/30 NW	24/32 NW	21/29 NW	20/29 NW	15/21 NW	14/22 W
300	11/25 NW	11/25 W	14/28 NW	11/25 NW	9/20 NW	8/18 W	8/19 W
Valley	10/24 NW	10/24 W	13/29 NW	10/25 NW	8/21 W	7/17 W	8/18 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	1/-6	0/-7	0/-7	1/-5	1/-5	1/-5	1/-4
300	2/-2	2/-3	3/-2	4/-0	3/-1	3/-0	3/-1
Valley	3/-1	2/-1	3/-1	4/1	3/0	3/0	3/0
Freezing Level*	600m	500m	500m	700m	700m	700m	700m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

A very cold feel to the day with brisk northwesterly winds so extra clothing, including thermals, are likely to be required. Some slippery surfaces and routes are possible due to the cold temperatures and frequent showers.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
03:00 on Wed 18 Dec 2024	10mm	11.8mm	14mm

Forecast for Friday 20 Dec 2024

Weather: A cloudy morning with scattered showers, and a bit milder than the previous day. A band of heavy and persistent rain will arrive from the west after midday and affect the area through the afternoon, then clearing during the evening.

Maximum wind: Southwesterly 30mph gusting 40mph (afternoon).

Chance of cloud-free hill tops 600m: 20% during the day, rising to 80% from late afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Extensive cloud bases around 700m, but falling to 400-500m at times during the morning and early afternoon. Cloud bases lifting above the summits late afternoon onwards. Visibility generally moderate to poor but very poor at times across the hill tops as cloud bases lower. Improving to very good from late afternoon.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Minus 1 Celsius, rising to plus 9 Celsius.
At 600m: Zero Celsius, rising to plus 4 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above the summits.

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